

## **Minutes of the 80<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Board of Management**

**Minutes of the 80<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Board of Management of The ICFAI University, Dehradun held on August 22, 2025 at 11:00 hrs. through blended mode.**

### **Present:**

Prof. (Dr.) Ram Karan Singh, Vice-Chancellor	Chairperson
Prof. (Dr.) A V Narsimha Rao conferencing)	Member (through video
Dr. K L Narayana conferencing)	Member (through video
Mr. Cheedi Srinivas conferencing)	Member (through video
Dr. Meena Bhandari	Member
Dr. Ramesh Chand Ramola, Registrar	Member Secretary

### **Invitees:**

CA (Ms.) Y Ratna Bhanu	(Through video conferencing)
Mr. Srikanth Pothuri (Vice Precedent, Marketing)	
Prof. (Dr.) Arun Kumar Singh (Director, IQAC)	
Prof. (Dr.) Alka N. Chaudhary (Principal, ISPS)	
Dr. Monica Kharola (Associate Dean, ILS)	
Dr. Sanjeev Kumar (Associate Dean, ITS)	
Dr. Puneet Kumar Gupta (Associate Dean, Research, IUD)	
Dr. Sanjeev Malaviya, (Dean, Placement)	
Dr. Rahul Berry (Academic Coordinator, IBS)	
Mr. Atm Prakash Rai (Deputy CoE)	
Mr. Amit Kumar Bera, (Deputy Director, IQAC)	

Prof. (Dr.) Ram Karan Singh, Vice-Chancellor presided over the meeting and the following items of business were transacted:

#### **80.01 Grant of leave of absence, if any**

The Principal Secretary, Higher Education, Govt. of Uttarakhand and Prof. T S Ramakrishna Rao could not attend the meeting and were granted leave of absence.

#### **80.02 Confirmation of the Minutes of the 79<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Board of Management**

The minutes of the 79<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Board of Management of The ICFAI University, Dehradun, held on March 27, 2025 were confirmed.

#### **80.03 Follow up Action on the Minutes of the 79<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Board of Management**

The follow-up actions taken on the minutes of the 79<sup>th</sup> Board of Management were presented and noted.

#### **80.04 Minutes of the 60<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Academic Council**

The minutes of the 60<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Academic Council of The ICFAI University, Dehradun, held on August 12, 2025 were noted.

## **80.05 Review of Operations**

### **i) Webinars /Guest Lectures/ Workshops Conducted**

The Board reviewed and noted the webinars, guest lectures and workshops conducted by the different schools of the University.

### **ii) Details of Research Publications by Faculty Members/Research Scholars**

The research publication data was presented and the Board congratulated the faculty for their contribution.

### **iii) Faculty Achievements**

The Board noted and appreciated the faculty's diverse achievements and recognitions.

### **iv) Student Achievements**

The Board noted the student achievements and congratulated the students and mentors for their performance.

### **v) Student Activities**

The Board also noted the student activities with satisfaction.

### **vi) Faculty Development Program (FDP)**

The Council was apprised that the University successfully organized a series of Faculty Development Programs (FDPs) during 2025 focusing on enhancing professional competencies, pedagogical innovation, and technological integration.

## **80.06 Approval of the lists of graduating students, recipients of Medals and award of Ph.D. Degrees of 2025**

The Chairperson presented the summary of graduating students for the academic year 2024-25, wherein 533 out of 624 students, along with 05 Ph.D. scholars, were declared eligible for degree conferral in the upcoming 12<sup>th</sup> Convocation 2025. The overall pass percentage stood at 85.42%, with 6.94% students securing First Division with Distinction, 47.28% attaining First Division, and 45.78% achieving Second Division. Board of Management resolved to recommend to place before the Board of Governors for its consideration and approval. It was noted that the list of students clearing their backlogs before the Convocation would be incorporated in the final list in BoG meeting for approval.

## **80.07 Analysis of Result**

The Chairperson presented the analysis of results (2024-25) to the Board and were noted.

## **80.08 Faculty Strength**

The Board noted the presented school-wise faculty strength. The University is actively engaged in ongoing efforts to enhance the faculty cadre ratio, demonstrating a commitment to academic excellence.

#### **80.09 Signing of MOU by the ICFAI University, Dehradun**

The Chairperson informed the Board that the University signed MoUs with DADB India Pvt. Ltd. (14<sup>th</sup> August 2025), IIT Mandi (9<sup>th</sup> May 2025), and Edunet Foundation (25<sup>th</sup> February 2025) to strengthen academic collaboration, research, training, digital skills, and employability initiatives. The Board noted the collaborations and congratulated the University.

#### **80.10 Status of Placements**

The Dean, Placements informed the Board that the highest placement package at IBS for AY 2024-25 was ₹10.70 LPA, with the average CTC also showing an improvement. Placement percentages reported were 68% in ITS, 90% in ICFAI Law School, and 58% in IEd.S. The Board noted that the average CTC of MCA students was lower than that of BCA students and suggested measures to ensure MCA graduates secure better CTCs in line with their higher qualifications.

#### **80.11 Program Promotional Activities for the Academic Year 2025-26**

The Vice President, Marketing briefed the Board on the admission status for AY 2025-26, reporting 823 admissions against the target of 900, with the admission process still ongoing and the target expected to be achieved soon. The Board congratulated the team and extended best wishes for the same.

#### **80.12 Approval of Annual Accounts & Annual Report for the Year 2024-25**

The Annual Accounts for the year 2024-25 together with the Audit Report were reviewed and recommended for submission to the Board of Governors for its approval.

Annual Report on the activities of the University for the year 2024-25 was reviewed and recommended for submission to the Board of Governors for its approval.

#### **80.13 Approval of Appointment of Statutory Auditors for the Year 2025-26**

A proposal to reappoint M/s. Narasimha Rao & Associates, Chartered Accountants as Statutory Auditors for the year 2025-26 on a remuneration of Rs.50,000 plus GST and reimbursement of out of pocket expenses was reviewed and recommended for submission to the Board of Governors for its approval.

#### **80.14 Minutes of 52<sup>nd</sup> Meeting of the Research and Development Cell**

The Associate Dean, Research presented the minutes of 52<sup>nd</sup> Research Committee Meeting which was noted by the Board.

#### **80.15 Minutes of the meeting of Board of Studies (BoS) of ICFAI Law School**

The Board reviewed the agenda and minutes of the BoS meeting of ICFAI Law School and noted the revisions made to the program structures. In line with the Academic Council's earlier suggestions, the LL.M. (One-Year) program was restructured with a minimum of 24 credits, and the program structures of all LL.M. specializations were updated accordingly. Further, the POs, COs, PSOs, and total credits for the BA-LLB (Hons.), BBA-LLB (Hons.), LLB, and LL.M. programs were presented, and the Board duly noted and accepted the revised program structures.

#### **80.16 Minutes of Board of Studies (BoS) of ICFAI Tech School**

The Board was apprised of the BoS meeting of ICFAI Tech School held on 10<sup>th</sup> June 2025, wherein the program structures and syllabi of B.Sc. (Data Science), BCA, and B.Sc. (Hons.) Mathematics were reviewed and revised in alignment with NEP 2020 guidelines. The revisions include multiple entry and exit options, specializations through electives, and the introduction of four-year undergraduate programs with Honors or Honors with Research. The Board noted the same.

#### **80.17 Minutes of Board of Studies (BoS) of ICFAI Business School**

The Board noted and considered the agenda and minutes of the 9<sup>th</sup> BoS meeting of ICFAI Business School held on 1st May 2025, wherein key academic matters of UG and PG programs were reviewed in line with NEP 2020, stakeholder feedback, and industry requirements. The BoS recommended revisions in UG programs (BBA, BBA-FIA, B.Com (H), and Honours with Research), modifications in the MBA evaluation and grading scheme (effective from the Class of 2027), introduction of SLP-1, SLP-2, and SLP-3 (non-credit), new analytics domain courses for MBA, changes in course handout structure, and a policy on minimum grade point criteria for specialization in Finance and Analytics.

#### **80.18 Revisions in the Evaluation Scheme of MBA Program at IBS, IUD**

The Board considered the proposed revisions to the MBA Program evaluation scheme at IBS, aimed at aligning assessment practices with other IBS campuses and enhancing student engagement.

#### **80.19 Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) for Award of Medals**

The Board considered the Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) for the award of medals, which was presented for approval. After reviewing the document in detail, the members approved it for implementation.

#### **80.20 Standard Operating Procedures (SoPs) for IUD Examination Manual & Additional Examination and Evaluation-Related Initiatives**

The Board was informed that the 14<sup>th</sup> BoE meeting held on 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2025 reviewed and recommended eight SoPs for inclusion in the IUD Examination Manual, including grievance redressal, grade moderation, evaluation components, writer/amanuensis, security protocols, question bank, credit transfer, and NAD-DigiLocker/ABC ID. The BoE further recommended preparation of the IUD Student Handbook 2025, adoption of UGC's revised grading policy for MBA, continuation of existing grading for other programs, and implementation of PCI guidelines for B. Pharm. After deliberation, the Board approved all recommendations for implementation from the Academic Session 2025-26.

#### **80.21 University Ranking/ Awards by External Agencies**

The Director, IQAC, apprised the Board of the rankings awarded to the University by various external agencies. The Board noted the high rankings achieved by different

schools of The ICFAI University, Dehradun and appreciated the recognition received at the national and state level.

#### **80.22 Research Activities**

The Associate Dean, Research informed the Board that, based on the final recommendations of the panel of Ph.D. examiners, the successful completion of Ph.D. Viva-Voce defenses, and subsequent approval in the 52<sup>nd</sup> Research Committee meeting held on 07.08.2025, Ph.D. degrees will be awarded to five research scholars in the 12<sup>th</sup> Convocation of the University. The Board noted the same.

#### **80.23 Compliance Report**

The Board noted the Compliance Report for the period ending July 31, 2025.

#### **80.24 Any other item with the Permission of the Chair**

- i) The Board suggested that the University should take more proactive steps towards the upcoming accreditation exercises, particularly NAAC, by ensuring timely preparation of documents, strengthening quality initiatives, and addressing all recommended areas.
- ii) The Chairperson informed the Board that, apart from the five Doctoral Degrees to be awarded during the 12<sup>th</sup> Convocation scheduled on 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2025, one more Ph.D. viva voce is scheduled on 26<sup>th</sup> August 2025 at 10:00 AM (Scholar: Mr. Amit Kumar Bera, Enrollment No: RSITS200058). The Board noted the same.

#### **80.25 Date for the Next Meeting**

It was agreed that the date for the next meeting of the Board of Management would be fixed in consultation with the Chairperson.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

Prof. (Dr.) Ram Karan Singh  
Chairperson